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Subject:

RE: Summit Duofix Packaging

I would reference that in the DHF for historical sake! Good News Manager, Sterilization and Microbiology DePuy Orthopaedics, Inc. (219) 372-7165 office (219) 372-7018 fax

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Subject:

RE: Summit Duofix Packaging

Jamie,

I talked with Rick Georgette at Biocoat regarding the resterilization issue for HA coatings. He stated that they have validated their HA to 4 Gamma sterilization cycles of 2.5 Mrads, and that this is contained in their Master File with the FDA.

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Subject:

Summit Duofix Packaging

Team,

We started packaging Summit Duofix again yesterday second shift. This is continuing today. All looks good.

The validation of the back-up sealing machine was successfully completed on Tuesday. The primary sealer has been sent back to the supplier for repairs. When that one comes back, it will again be validated so that we have two machines that can be used.

Best Regards,

James McAdam Sr. Packaging Engineer

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